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Leak detection FAQs:

- *What is leak detection?*
“Leak Detection” means determining whether a discharge of regulated substance has occurred from a storage tank system into the environment or into the space between the tank and its secondary barrier or containment.
- *What is “ATG”?*
“Automatic Tank Gauging” (ATG) or “Automatic Leak Detection” means a leak detection or monitoring system that will provide continuous 24-hour monitoring for the detection of a release or leak of vapor or product and will immediately communicate the detection of the release or leak to an electronic signaling device.
- *What is Pressurized Line Leak Detection Monitoring*
[Wisconsin Administrative Code §§ ATCP 93.510](#) and [93.515](#) require all new and existing underground tank piping systems which store regulated substances to be provided with a method of leak detection. One of the acceptable methods of leak detection is pressurized line leak detection (LLD) testing.

Pressurized line leak detectors operate during idle periods by independently pressurizing the pipeline system, then isolating the system from the pump and monitoring the pressure drop. The pressure drop is measured for several pressurization cycles. When the leak detection system determines that thermal effects have been sufficiently reduced, it compares the final pressure drop with a preset limit. If the pressure drop exceeds that limit, a leak is declared.

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